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MEET BRIAN DURDLE, CLEVELAND BALLET BOARD MEMBER



We are pleased to welcome Brian Durdle to Cleveland Ballet's Board of Directors. A 35-year veteran of client advocacy, Brian brings strategic and practical insight to non-profit arts management.

In 2020, Brian founded Project Finance Solutions, LLC, providing big-firm expertise with a collaborative approach to policy, finance, and regulatory matters for nonprofits, for-profit organizations, and local governments in Ohio and beyond. His experience in Congress and the Ohio Legislature offers clients a strategic advantage across the arts and culture, manufacturing, energy technology, financial, and healthcare sectors.

Brian spent more than 15 years as North American Vice President of State and Local Government Relations for Goodrich Corporation and United Technologies Aerospace Systems. Following Goodrich's acquisition, he remained in Ohio as Senior Advisor for Government Relations at BakerHostetler LLP.

A native of central Ohio, Brian earned a Bachelor of Arts from The Ohio State University in public policy and economics while holding senior staff roles in the Ohio Senate. At age 24, he became the first Chief of Staff to former U.S. Representative Steven C. LaTourette (R-OH), managing public policy and political operations in Washington, D.C. and Northeast Ohio.

Brian lives in Geauga County with his family and has served on the boards of Courage to Caregivers, Lake-Geauga Habitat for Humanity, the Cuyahoga Arts and Culture Issue 55 Steering Committee, and the Greater Cleveland Food Bank. A lifelong music lover, he can often be found at Severance Hall or the Beachland Ballroom, and spends much of his free time coaching youth sports.